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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
AKIHIRO KIMURA ET AL.) : Examiner: Christopher M. Raabe
Application No.: 10/760,280) : Group Art Unit: 2879
Filed: January 21, 2004) : Confirmation No. 9839
For: ENERGIZATION PROCESSING)
APPARATUS AND ELECTRON :
SOURCE MANUFACTURING)
APPARATUS : November 22, 2006

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2006.

A Request for Continued Examination is being filed herewith. Preliminary to continued examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.